

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

Koshkarian et al.)

Application No. 09/411,521)

Filed: October 4, 1999)

For: Rare Earth Silicate)
 Coating on a Silicon-)
 Based Ceramic Component)
 by Controlled Oxidation)
 for Improved Corrosion)
 Resistance)

Attorney Docket No. 1002-0702)

Caterpillar Docket No. 98-639)

Art Unit: 3742

Examiner: J. Jeffery

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